



[12013/50101]

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s) : Rob WORSHAM
Serial No. : 10/782,056
Filing Date : **February 18, 2004**
For : A METHOD FOR COATING A MEDICAL DEVICE USING A
MATRIX ASSISTED PULSED-LASER EVAPORATION
TECHNIQUE AND ASSOCIATED SYSTEM AND MEDICAL
DEVICE
Group Art Unit : 1762
Examiner : Michener, Jennifer Kolb
Confirmation No. : 5746
Attorney Docket No. : 12013/50101

Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENT

SIR:

In the Office Action mailed on June 10, 2004 (the one-month response date for which is July 12, 2004), the Examiner required restriction/election as follows:

Restriction was required as between "Group I" of claims 1-9, "Group II" of claims 10-18 and "Group III" of claims 19-29.

Accordingly, Applicant elects without traverse Group I (claims 1-9).

Applicant respectfully requests an early and favorable action on the merits.

While no fee is believed to be due, the Commissioner is authorized, as appropriate and/or necessary, to charge any additional fees (including any Rule 136(a) extension fees) or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-0600. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for this purpose.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: June 29, 2004

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